

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-3730) 1/3/57  
FROM: RICHARD H. NELSON  
SUBJECT: CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
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Identity of Source	Date of Activity	Date Received	Agent to whom <u>Furnished</u>	File # where <u>Located</u>	
[REDACTED]	12/1/56	12/4/56	RICHARD H. NELSON	[REDACTED]	b7D

The following is a portion of a written report received from informant concerning a meeting of the first session of the county convention of the CP, Santa Clara County. According to informant it was held at the home of ED CERNEY, 2465 Alpine Road, Menlo Park, California. The report reads as follows:

"The first session of the county convention was held on Sat. Dec. 1st. at the home of ED and ISOBEL CERNEY. Those who attended were ELIZABETH NICHOLAS, [REDACTED] the FRANCIS FINKS [REDACTED] KARL PRUSSIAN. FRANK SCHNEIDER [REDACTED] from San Mateo co., [REDACTED] HELEN MANNING,

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(100-3730)  
cc: [REDACTED]  
100-33765 (ED CERNEY)  
100-1418 (LIZ NICHOLAS)  
100-5867 [REDACTED]  
100-22198 (FRANCIS FINK)  
100-30647 [REDACTED]  
100-30994 [REDACTED]  
134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
100-24017 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
100-21288 (CP, San Mateo County)  
100-29725 [REDACTED]  
100-35134 [REDACTED]  
100-35053 (HELEN MANNING)  
100-35979 [REDACTED]  
100-37152 [REDACTED]

100-23999 [REDACTED]  
100-25794 (GETRUEDE ADLER)  
100-31291 [REDACTED]  
65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)

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[REDACTED] ED CERNEY,  
GERTRUDE ADLER [REDACTED] and one man I am not quite sure  
of his name but I think it is [REDACTED] opened  
the meeting by calling for nominations for chairman.  
ELIZABETH NICHOLAS was nominated. The agenda consisted  
of a report from the acting chairman [REDACTED] which took an  
hour. A report by MIKY LIMA who was there from the state.  
He emphasized that the Party is in a very serious crisis,  
that no one is sure yet what will be the outcome. He gave  
me the feeling that he felt that the membership in Santa  
Clara co. did not realize just how serious the situation is.  
[REDACTED] gave a short report on the Peoples' World and asked  
that the quota be made 1750.00 instead of 1500.00 for the  
past drive. I think that a little over 1600.00 has been  
collected. The quota was accepted. FRANCIS FINK gave a  
report on the trade union committee. I think I sent you  
a copy of their report. there is to be a report of the  
meeting mimeographed for the clubs. When I get it I will  
send you one. The county com. had requested the clubs to  
turn in nominations for the county com. at this meeting but  
so far only one was turned in. They want a county com. of  
ten and four alternates. I have my doubts that they will  
get that many."

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Other information furnished by informant has been  
made the subject of a separate memo.

RECOMMENDATION: No investigation.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC 10

134-7

DATE: 1/2/57

FROM : SA R H Nelson

SUBJECT: SF 1740-S

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ (S.I.) \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 12/2/56, 12/11/56, 12/20/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

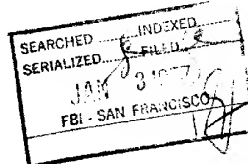
See 134-7A

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_

Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA:

RATING Exc.COVERAGE CP

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FD-221a  
(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE 11/30/56

Request of <sup>ASAC</sup> ~~Special Agent in Charge~~, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 12/2/57

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 7/25/56 and SFlet 11/23/56.

Period Covered by Payment 11/1-30/56

Authorization Checked WLS

Check Number 879-11

Receipts Received 2/100

Voucher Prepared 12-6-56 Item 3

APPROVED:

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Informant's File No. 134-7

134-7-240

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

To: SA (135-50)

Date:

From: SAC, San Francisco

Re: PROCAB

Re memo 12/24/53, which instructs that informants be contacted and alerted for any indication of unusual interest in the operation of Strategic Air Command Bases, Travis Air Force Base being within this program. This memorandum further instructed that informants were to be recontacted at least every six months with reference to this program. A notation should be made in the file (135-50) reflecting this recontact.

In recontacting informants extreme care should be used not to pinpoint the operation of this base as being any different than that of any other base, and informant should be instructed to report any unusual interest concerning any military installation.

Informant \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Recontact \_\_\_\_\_

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12/19/56*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC #10

134-7

DATE: 11/27/56

FROM : SA R H Nelson

SUBJECT: SF 1740-3

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 11/2/56, 11/16/56, 11/19/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

Re 134-7A

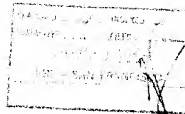
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PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: Rand 11/2/56

RATING Enc.COVERAGE CP

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FD-221a  
(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAM/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, California

DATE October 31, 1956

Request of <sup>ASAC</sup> ~~Special Agent in Charge~~, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 11/2/56

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 7/25/56

Period Covered by Payment 10/1-31/56

Authorization Checked Em

Check Number 847-11

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 107.52 Item 11

APPROVED:

SAC [Signature]

Informant's File No. 134-7

134-7-235

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SF (100-41138) (100-38678)

FROM: SA ROBERT L. HAMILTON

ATTN: SA ~~██████████~~

RE: SF 1770

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN COHEN  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
SMITH ACT OF 1940

HENRY EDWARD ARON  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C *located 9/18 NY*  
SMITH ACT OF 1940

All continental offices have been directed by the Bureau (Bulet to Albany dated August 24, 1956) to contact confidential informants and sources to determine whether they have any information concerning the whereabouts of missing Smith Act subjects BENJAMIN COHEN or HENRY EDWARD ARON.

A photograph of each of these individuals is attached to this memorandum.

It was not desired that special contacts be made with informants and sources but on the next regular contact, they should be questioned for any information which might be of value in locating these subjects. Each Special Agent to whom this memorandum is directed will please contact the confidential informant indicated and make such inquiry.

It is requested that the results of these contacts (including negative information) be indicated in the space provided under "Results of Contact" on the memorandum and that it be returned to SA HAMILTON as soon as possible.

The following background information concerning COHEN and ARON is set forth for your assistance:

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134-7-234



BENJAMIN COHEN

COHEN was a Communist party (CP) functionary in Indiana from 1945 until February 1952 when he disappeared. Just previous to his disappearance, he worked as a laborer and a punch press operator under the alias JAMES NELSON. He is married to Edna Cohen and has two children, [REDACTED] whose name is not known. From February 1952 until May 1956, no definite information was obtained as to the location of COHEN.

On May 19, 1956, the COHENS were located living with MRS. COHEN's parents, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK FRIED at 21 Wellesley Avenue, Yonkers, New York. They left this address on approximately June 10, 1956, at which time neighborhood sources said they were returning to their home in Indianapolis. Investigation has disclosed that they have not returned to Indianapolis although informants have advised that COHEN is expected to return to that city sometime in the near future. There is no indication that COHEN is presently in an underground status or that he is living under an alias. Indianapolis is office of origin in this investigation.

HENRY EDWARD ARON

ARON has been active in the CP since 1936. Following his graduation from Brooklyn College in 1935, he worked as a shoe clerk and a laborer in a machine shop. He became a paid CP organizer in 1937 and from that date until September 1950, he was paid CP functionary in Indiana with the exception of three years during which he was in the U. S. Army. He disappeared in September 1950 from South Bend, Indiana, and no definite information as to his whereabouts has been received since that date.

ARON has used the following aliases: EDWARD HENRY ARON, HANK ARON, HENRY MANN, HENRY E. EMMETT, HENRY ERNFELD and HENRY ERNFELD. Since his disappearance he was reported to be working in a jewelry store and as a bookkeeper. He is reported to be suffering from heart trouble which at one time required hospitalization.

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ARON's wife, SYLVIA, was also missing until she was located living under her true name at 83-30 118th Street, Queens, New York. Investigation reflected that she resided at this address with her two sons, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] from January 1956 until June 23, 1956, when she moved. Her present location is unknown. Investigation did not disclose that HENRY ARON was living with his family in Queens but he was tentatively identified as the person who signed the rental lease for the family in January 1956. New York is origin in this investigation.

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RESULTS OF CONTACT

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SF 1740-S on 10/15/56 - Neg.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (Att. Desk #10) 134-7 DATE: 10/23/56

FROM : SA R.H. Nelson

SUBJECT: SF 174-5

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 10/4/56, 10/14/56, 10/23/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

1cc 134-7A  
1cc 335-23

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: 1cc 10/4/56

RATING Etc.COVERAGE 1st Santa Clara County, PACU

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(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/EAM/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE 9/30/56

San Francisco

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, \_\_\_\_\_

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 10/4/56

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 7/25/56

Period Covered by Payment 9/1-30/56

Authorization Checked lll

Check Number 807-11

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 10/9/56 Item 9

APPROVED:

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120-7-232

**Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**

TO : SAC

DATE: 9/25/56

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 8/31/56, 9/12/56 (65), 9/19/56, 9/24/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

13-71

100-34488

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: *fail 8/31/56**Post P*RATING *Etc.*COVERAGE *(100-10000)*

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FBI - [illegible]	

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*100-7-2-31*

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(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/EAW/SAB/DF

San Francisco, Calif.

CITY

Aug. 31, 1956

DATE

San Francisco

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI,

One hundred twenty-five

no

dollars, and cents,

125.00

(\$), which money is to be paid by me on 8/31/56

SF 1740-S

to

for information concerning the case entitled

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed:

Special Agent

Authority (Date) SF let 4/30/56  
SF let 7/25/56

Period Covered by Payment 8/1-31/56.

Authorization Checked

Check Number

Receipts Received

Voucher Prepared 9/5/56 Item 7

APPROVED: [Signature]

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Informant's File No. 134-7

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

August 31, 1956

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-35423)  
FROM: SA RICHARD H. NELSON  
RE: PALO ALTO CLUBS (CP)  
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On August 28, 1956, [redacted] furnished a written report filed in [redacted]. Informant explained that the following portion of the report sets forth the membership of the Palo Alto Section of the Communist party after its reorganization by the County Executive Committee of which informant is a member.

38 - San Francisco (100-35423)

1 - [redacted]  
100-36483 [redacted]  
100-10881 [redacted]  
100-31466 (ED BECKS)  
100-34771 (GELSO BECKS)  
100-40853 [redacted]  
100-41190 [redacted]  
100-31626 [redacted]  
100-27054 [redacted]  
100-25794 (GERTRUDE ADLER)  
100-27491 (ALLAN ROSS)  
100-23395 (MARY ROSS)  
100-24017 (FRANK SCHNEIDER)  
100-35372 [redacted]  
100-20587 (ESTHER GARDNER)  
100-33524 (MARY WILSON)  
100-33765 (ED CERNEY)  
100-27438 (ISOBEL CERNEY)  
100-24948 (MIKE SHAPOVALOV)  
100-34164 (MARY SHAPOVALOV)  
100-28956 [redacted]  
100-20108 (HARVEY RICHARDS)  
100-9884 (HOLLAND ROBERTS)  
100-1346 (ISAAC FOLKOFF)

100-1418 (LIZ NICHOLAS)  
100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)  
100-35134 [redacted]  
100-35132 [redacted]  
100-41511 [redacted]  
100-41510 [redacted]  
100-16351 (WALTER HARJU)  
134-7- [redacted] (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
100-30169 (ELLIOT WILSON)  
100-26239 (MEMBERSHIP)  
100-27747 (ORGANIZATION)  
100-3730 (CP SANTA CLARA  
COUNTY)  
100-32869 (PALO ALTO PROF.  
CLUB)

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August 31, 1956  
FBI, San Francisco

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SF (100-35423)  
RHN:lvh

Informant noted that the Section formerly numbered five clubs and now has been consolidated into four.

"The new set up of clubs is as follows

East Palo Alto

the [REDACTED], [REDACTED], chairman)  
the BECKS  
the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] → [REDACTED])  
[REDACTED]

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Palo Alto

GERTRUDE ADLER (Chairman)  
the ALLAN ROSSES (MARY & ALLAN)  
FRNAK SCHNEIDER  
[REDACTED]  
and ESTER GARDNER (if accepted)  
MARY WILSON

Palo Alto Prof.

the CERNEYS  
the SHAPOVALOV  
[REDACTED]  
HARVEY RICHARDS  
[REDACTED]  
HOLLAND ROBERTS

Los Altos - Mountain View

IKE FOLKOFF  
ELIZABETH NICHOLAS



SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-33837)

August 31, 1956

SA RICHARD H. NELSON

PALO ALTO PEACE CLUB  
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On August 28, 1956, a written report  
was received from [redacted] and filed in [redacted]

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A portion of it related to a meeting of  
the Communist party caucus of the Palo Alto Peace  
Club to be held in the near future. That portion  
of the report reads as follows:

"I am to call a meeting of party members who  
work in the Peace Club. I think word has come  
down to drop it like they dropped the Northern  
Cal Peace Council. (HOLLAND ROBERTS was very  
much against that action. He said that it  
showed rotten leadership.) Things must be sort  
of hot in San Francisco.) It is funny the  
communist party trying to stop the peace club.  
I told them that I did not think that they  
could have any control as it was still going because  
of one person and she was not a party member.  
(VALDEA BRIANT). Anyway I am going to have to  
have see DORIS DAWSON, MARY WILSON, KARL PRUSSIAN  
and [redacted] together with some member of the county  
com. I will talk to ELIZABETH about it tomorrow."

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Informant had no further information concerning  
the above.

RECOMMENDATION: No investigation

9 - San Francisco (100-33837)

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1 - [redacted]  
100-34022 (NCPC)  
100-9884 (HOLLAND ROBERTS)  
100-30622 [redacted]  
100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)  
100-33524 (MARY WILSON)  
100-33524 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
100-1418 (LIZ NICHOLAS)

RHN:lvh  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (24. (Difford) 134-7 DATE: 8/28/56

FROM : SA R. L. Nelson

SUBJECT: SF 1740-5

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ (S.I.) \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 7/28/56, 8/5/56, 8/18/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

134-74  
100-24719

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: filed 8/5/56

RATING Enc.COVERAGE CP - PAC

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134-7-227

FD-221a  
(3-10-55)

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE July 31, 1956

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 8/5/56

SF 1740-S  
to \_\_\_\_\_

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 4/30/56

Period Covered by Payment 7/1-31/56

Authorization Checked Em

Check Number 238-11

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 8/10/56 Item 1

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134-7-226

FD-221a  
(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

June 30, 1956

DATE San Francisco

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, \_\_\_\_\_

One hundred twenty-five

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dollars, and \_\_\_\_\_ cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 7/5/56

SF 1740-S  
to \_\_\_\_\_

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 4/30/56

Period Covered by Payment 6/1-30/56

Authorization Checked 3m

Check Number 693-11

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 7/6/56 Item 20

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Informant's File No. 134-7

126-7-224

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (Attn. Clifford) 134-7 DATE: 7/24/56

FROM : SA R. H. [unclear]

SUBJECT: SF 174-5

G.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 7/15/56, 7/24/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

134-7A

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: [unclear] 7/15/56

RATING Exc.

COVERAGE 100%

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134-7-223

TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-3730)

Date: 7/2/56

FROM: SA RICHARD H. NELSON

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FBI, SF 7/2/56

RE: CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
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Documentation

6/8/56 6/14/56 SA RICHARD H. NELSON

On June 14, 1956 [redacted] furnished her notes made shortly after a CP meeting held 6/8/56 at [redacted] Palo Alto. Informant, on these notes, wrote, "This was a Communist Party meeting of Santa Clara County, by invitation only".

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Informant stated that this was a meeting addressed by WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN, who gave a report on a recent Conference at National CP Headquarters on the KRUSCHEV speech before the 20th Congress of the CP, USSR. Informant's notes reflected the following persons were present:

WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN  
ISAAC FOLKOFF  
ISABEL CERNEY  
FRANCIS FINK

MRS. ISAAC FOLKOFF

ED CERNEY

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KARL PRUSSIAN

DORIS DAWSON  
FRANK SCHNEIDER

GERTRUDE ADLER

FRANK L. FULLER

MARY WILSON

ELIZ. NICHOLAS

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 97-26 (WM. SCHNEIDERMAN)
- 1 - 100-10881 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-36483 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-1346 (ISAAC FOLKOFF)
- 1 - 100-30736 (MRS. I. FOLKOFF)
- 1 - 100-33765 (ED CERNEY)
- 1 - 100-27436 (I. CERNEY)
- 1 - 100-35134 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-41510 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-22198 (F. FINK)
- 1 - 100-30647 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-5867 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-37081 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-1359 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-30951 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-29725 [redacted]

- 1 - 100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)
- 1 - 100-25794 (G. ADLER)
- 1 - 134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)
- 1 - 100-24017 (F. SCHNEIDER)
- 1 - 100-27926 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-41635 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-30994 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-1418 (E. NICHOLAS)
- 1 - 100-37152 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-33524 (MARY WILSON)
- 1 - 100-27054 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-22169 (FRANK FULLER)
- 1 - 100-34900 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-37204 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-35979 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-30717 (PARTY LINE)
- 1 - 100-3730 (CP, SANTA CLARA CTY)

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SF 100-3730

Furnished with Informant's notes was a leaflet entitled, "Turning to the Canning and Food Processing Industry". Informant's note on the back of this leaflet reflects it was written by FRANCIS FINK to help the clubs concentrate on the canning industry. Informant explained that this is being circulated to the CP clubs in Santa Clara County as an aid to their concentration on the food processing industry. It is retained with Informant's notes under the above file number. Informant had no further information.

Recommendation:

In view of the Informant's statement that this was a CP meeting by invitation only the case file on [REDACTED] should be opened and assigned and she considered for the Security Index.

[REDACTED] is the mother of [REDACTED] a Security Index Subject and resides in San Jose. All of the other persons present at this Party meeting are on the Security Index.

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TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-3730)

Date: 7/2/56

FROM: SA RICHARD H. NELSON

RE: CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
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[redacted] in a report received 6/14/56 and filed in [redacted] described a meeting held 6/8/56 at 2130 Staunton Court, Palo Alto, California. In that report Informant stated that BILL SCHNEIDERMAN addressed this meeting, reporting on a conference at National Headquarters of the CP concerning the KRUSCHEV statement to the 20th Congress of the CP, USSR.

Informant having advised previously of the holding of this meeting, a surveillance was conducted at [redacted] Palo Alto, beginning at 7:00 PM 6/8/56 and terminating at 10:00 PM. Surveillance was by SAS TROY F. WILDER, [redacted] and RICHARD H. NELSON.

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1 - 100-3730 (CP, SANTA CLARA CTY)

1 - [redacted]  
1 - 97-26 (WM. SCHNEIDERMAN)  
1 - 100-29725 [redacted]  
1 - 100-1359 [redacted]  
1 - 100-30951 [redacted]  
1 - 100-27436 (ISOBEL CERNEY)  
1 - 100-24017 [redacted]  
1 - 100-33765 (ED CERNEY)  
1 - 100-1346 (ISAAC FOLKOFF)  
1 - 100-30736 (MRS. I. FOLKOFF)  
1 - 100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)  
1 - 100-1415 (LIZ NICHOLAS)  
1 - 100-10821 [redacted]  
1 - 100-36483 [redacted]  
1 - 100-22198 (FRANCIS FINK)  
1 - 100-30647 [redacted]  
1 - 100-5867 [redacted]  
1 - 100-37081 [redacted]

1 - 100-37152 [redacted]  
1 - 100-33524 (MARY WILSON)  
1 - 100-27054 [redacted]  
1 - 100-25794 (GERTRUDE ADLER)  
1 - 100-22169 (FRANK L. FULLER)  
1 - 100-27926 [redacted]  
1 - 100-41635 [redacted]  
1 - 100-30994 [redacted]  
1 - 134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
1 - 100-35134 [redacted]  
1 - 100-41510 [redacted]  
1 - 100-34900 [redacted]  
1 - 100-37204 [redacted]  
1 - 100-35979 [redacted]

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SF 100-3730

The following was observed:

7:45 PM

[redacted] and [redacted] observed to enter above address (identifications by SA RICHARD H. NELSON)

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7:48 PM

ISOBEL CERNEY entered above address (identification by SAS NELSON and WILDER).

7:50 PM

FRANK SCHNEIDER entered above address (identification by SA NELSON)

7:51 PM

ED CERNEY and BILL SCHNEIDERMAN arrived in brown jeep station wagon, license number DDH 515, parked in front of the above address and entered (identifications by SAS NELSON and WILDER)

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8:05 PM

ISAAC FOLKOFF and wife, DORIS DAWSON and ELIZABETH NICHOLAS entered above address together. (FOLKOFFs, DAWSON and NICHOLAS identified by SAS [redacted] and NELSON - FOLKOFFs identified by SA WILDER)

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8:06 PM

[redacted] and [redacted] entered above address (identifications by SAS WILDER and NELSON)

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8:10 PM

FRANCIS and [redacted] FINK entered above address. (identification by SA [redacted])

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8:11 PM

[redacted] and [redacted]  
entered above address. (SA NELSON identified [redacted] and  
[redacted]; SA [redacted] identified [redacted] and [redacted]  
and [redacted].

8:12 PM

[redacted], MARY WILSON and [redacted]  
entered above address. (identifications by SA NELSON).

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8:22 PM

GERTRUDE ADLER entered above address (identifi-  
cations by SAS WILDER and NELSON)

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FRANK L. FULLER and [redacted] and her  
mother, walking with [redacted] entered the above address. (FULLER  
was identified by SA NELSON; FULLER, [redacted] and the mother,  
[redacted] identified by SA [redacted]).

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Unknown couple parked Plymouth station wagon  
containing baby crib opposite the above address and entered. They  
were accompanied by a taller young man of about the age of this  
couple. The unknown couple were identified from photos as [redacted]  
and [redacted] by all 3 Agents. The other unknown young man was  
identified through a photo as [redacted] (by SAS NELSON and  
[redacted]).

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KARL PRUSSIAN entered above address (identifi-  
cation by SAS NELSON and [redacted]).

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address ( [redacted] and [redacted] entered above  
SA [redacted] identified by SA NELSON and [redacted] identified by

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Surveillance notes, together with notes of  
license numbers obtained in the vicinity are retained in  
100-3730-1A (49).

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (Co Clifford) 134-7

DATE: 6/2/56

FROM : SA R.H. Brown

SUBJECT: SF 174-5

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ ( S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 6/1/56, 6/15/56, 6/2/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

134-7A  
100-33522

## PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

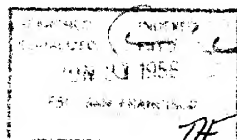
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Re: memo from Clifford 6/1/56

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PERSONAL DATA:

Post 6/1/56

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(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE May 31, 1956

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

125.00  
(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 6/4/56

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nixon  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 1/19/56  
SFlet 4/30/56

Period Covered by Payment 5/1-31/56

Authorization Checked Em

Check Number 644-12

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 6/5/56 Item 18

APPROVED:

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SAC Informant's File No. 134-7

134-7-218

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SF (100-3730)  
FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON  
SUBJECT : CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
IS-C

DATE: June 19, 1956.

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6/4/56

SA RICHARD  
H. NELSON

The following is a portion of a written report received from informant concerning a meeting informant stated was called by the CP of Santa Clara County and at which only invites attended. According to informant, the meeting was held at the home of ISOBEL CERNEY, 2465 Alpine Road, Menlo Park. The portion of the written report concerning this meeting reads as follows:

1 - 100-3730  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - (AL RICHMOND)  
1 - 100-33765 (ED CERNEY)  
1 - 100-27438 (ISOBEL CERNEY)  
1 - 100-22169 (FRANK L. FULLER)  
1 - 100-26393 (DORIS FULLER)  
1 - 100-22198 (FRANCIS FINK)  
1 - 100-30647  
1 - 100-5867 [REDACTED]  
1 - 100-37081  
1 - 100-27491 (ALLEN ROSS)  
1 - 100-23395 (MARY ROSS)  
1 - 100-20108 (HARVEY RICHARDS)  
1 - 100-22992 (ALICE RICHARDS)  
1 - 100-14118 (ELIZABETH NICHOLAS)  
1 - 100-10881 [REDACTED]  
1 - 100-36483 [REDACTED]  
1 - 100-28956 [REDACTED]  
1 - 100-24017 (FRANK SCHNEIDER)  
1 - 100-27054 [REDACTED]  
1 - 134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
1 - 100-32403 (CARL MANNING)  
1 - 100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)  
1 - 100-24957 (HENRY MAYER)  
1 - 100-30169 (ELLIOT WILSON)  
1 - 100-35132 [REDACTED]  
1 - 100-35134 [REDACTED]  
1 - 100-41511 [REDACTED]

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"Those attending the AL RICHMOND meeting held at the CERNEY's on May 25 were the FULLERS (San Jose), the PINKS, the GRAHAMS, the ALLEN ROSSes, the HARVEY RICHARDS, ELIZABETH NICHOLAS, [redacted] and [redacted], FRANK SCHNEIDER, KARL PRUSSIAN, [redacted], CARL MANNING, DORIS DAWSON, Dr. H. MAYER, ELLIOT WILSON, the [redacted] and [redacted]. I think that was all. The meeting was held to discuss the 20th. Congress of the C.P.U.S.S.R. There were many pointed questions asked and some written. One asked was why can we believe them now they are the same ones who were in power under Stalin?"

It was determined through interview with the informant that persons for whom copies are designated 1: were in attendance at this meeting. Informant stated that many pointed questions were directed at RICHMOND and that he was unable to answer most of them. Informant stated the questions were extremely critical of the leadership of the CP USA, but that RICHMOND had no defense. Other information furnished in this report is covered in separate memorandum.

RECOMMENDATION: No investigation.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SA (135-50) DATE: June 18, 1956.  
FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO  
SUBJECT: PROSAB

Rememo 12/24/53, which instructs that informants be contacted and alerted for any indication of unusual interest in the operation of Strategic Air Command Bases, Travis Air Force Base being within this program. This memorandum further instructed that informants were to be recontacted at least every six months with reference to this program. A notation should be made in the file (135-50) reflecting this recontact.

In recontacting informants extreme care should be used not to pinpoint the operation of this base as being any different than that of any other base, and informant should be instructed to report any unusual interest concerning any military installation. Please give this immediate and expeditious attention.

Informant SF-1740-S

Date of Recontact 7/5/56

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*1-5-57*

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SAC, SF (100-26546)

5-22-56

SA RICHARD H. NELSON

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A written report was received from [redacted] on 5-11-56 and filed in [redacted]. Reference in this written report to [redacted] is to [redacted] and Informant's queries as to his health. The ROSSES mentioned in the written report are ED & BELLE ROSS, who are leaving Palo Alto for Pasadena, California. [redacted] mentioned in the last paragraph of written report is [redacted]. Informant explained he is extremely ill suffering from epilepsy and is being treated by a [redacted] who Informant understands is a psychiatrist. [redacted] is [redacted].

The report reads as follows:

"May 10th, '56

"Elizabeth Nicholas stopped in this morning and gave me me three copies of a leaflet of which the enclosed is a copy. I have been wondering when they would start to do something about the overall concentration.

"I asked Elizabeth if she knew why [redacted] was limping and she said that she did not but every time she saw him she meant to ask. She said that it was decided to have the 20th congress meeting (Schneiderman) on the 26th. I said oh no you don't We are having a farewell party for the Rosses that nite. So she said she would change it but they felt that Karl Prussian's place was not very good. Nor Mary Wilsons So it may end up being here.

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cc 100-26546  
cc [redacted]  
cc 100-1418 (Elizabeth Nicholas)  
cc 100-5867 [redacted]  
cc 100-36705 (Ed Ross)  
cc 100-39293 (Belle Ross)  
cc 134-7 (Karl Prussian)  
cc 100-36483 [redacted]  
cc 100-32403 (Carl Manning)  
cc 100-35053 (Helen Manning)

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"I went to [ ] this evening to give her some literature and we talked about Carl. She is worried because he is talking too much. It seems that the doctor told him that he had bottled himself up too much so now he is making up for lost time. And how I gather! The doctor he went to in Berkly is a Dr. Gordon. Helen too may have to take out a leave. It seems that his brother has not had anything to do with him for a year and his mother has refused to speak to him as long as he continues his political connections."

Attached to the written report was a copy of the leaflet mentioned in paragraph one of the written report. It reads as follows:

"THE CANNING AND PROCESSING INDUSTRY

"Serious attention is being given to develop an approach and a program in the canning and processing industry during 1956 to advance the interests of the workers in this industry. To start with, ties need to be established with these workers. As one step in this direction this fact-finding sheet was prepared.

"(In addition there are in preparation: 1.) an educational outline to heighten our understanding on the need to implement an all-round concentration policy, along with some practical proposals. This is suggested for use in all clubs; 2.) A more detailed description and analysis of this number one industry of Santa Clara County.)

"Note: a routine reply to the following questions would be of little help. We are interested not only in a compilation of statistics, but aim to stimulate interest in and center attention upon this industry.

SF 100-26546  
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- "1) How many members have in the past worked in Canning ( ) Frozen Foods ( ) Packing ( ) Dried Fruits ( ) Can Mfg. ( ) Other related ( ) In this country ( ) Elsewhere ( ) Women( )?
  - "2) How many intend to enter the industry during this season?
  - "3) How many might be agreeable, but wish to discuss this more with someone from the county committee as to reasons, aims, importance, etc. of such a step.
  - "4) Close contacts (members of family, readers of the press, former members, militants, etc.) of whom we are aware, who are in any way related to this industry?
  - "5) Any contact with persons in charge of hiring?
  - "6) Anyone with research experience willing to offer help?
  - "7) Can you supply names and addresses of workers for mailings, etc.
  - "8) How many could help for mailings ( ) distributions ( ) Other ( )?
  - "9) Anyone in contact with Mexican-American workers or their organizations?
- "Any further suggestions to assist in this preliminary effort will be wholeheartedly welcomed.

San Jose, Calif. May, 1956"

Informant's notes on this reflects it was drawn up by the Secretariat of the CP, Santa Clara County and furnished to Informant by ELIZABETH NICHOLAS.

RECOMMENDATION - NO ACTION.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM-U.S. GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-22169)

DATE: 5/26/56

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: FRANK L. FULLER  
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The following information was obtained from [REDACTED]  
by [REDACTED] on May 14, 1956.

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This information is being set forth completely as obtained from the informant who was thoroughly interviewed concerning it and ~~and~~ had nothing further to add at this time. Informant advised that FRANK FULLER is presently working as a carpenter's helper earning \$2.40 an hour. This work is with ALAN ISAKSEN and CARL PRUSSIAN.

FULLER advised the informant that he has known ISAKSEN for over ten years. FRANK says he is a "good guy." ISAKSEN, he stated he is running for State Assemblyman from his district in San Mateo County. The informant questioned him relative to the fact that the democrats refuse to back ISAKSEN and FULLER stated that he did not know why they would not back ISAKSEN as he was an excellent candidate.

FULLER made available to the informant on April 23, 1956, a copy of the "National Guardian" and requested the informant to read an article in it entitled "Algiers."

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100-27926 [REDACTED]

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100-9538 ALLEN ISAKSEN

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100-41107 [REDACTED]

100-35753 [REDACTED]

100-35019 [REDACTED]

100-40873 [REDACTED]

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FBI SAN FRANCISCO

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FULLER told the informant that he received his "National Guardian" subscription after having been a member of the Independent Progressive Party and it was sent to him gratis.

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FULLER advised [ ] that [ ] is still employed by the UE but is desirous of getting a job in the San Francisco area as an airlines pilot or tool and die maker.

[ ] advised that on April 30, 1956, and May 7, 1956, meetings of the Roybal Democratic Club were held at the residence of [ ] and [ ]. These meetings were attended by a group composed of [ ] and [ ], the [ ] and [ ] for the purpose of drawing up a new set of bylaws for this club. The bylaws of the ILMU were being used as a form.

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On April 29, 1956, [ ] advised that [ ] and [ ] were at the home of FRANK and DORIS FULLER, 826 Spencer, together with one [ ]. This was a social gathering.

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[ ] advised that [ ] wanted to borrow \$50 from FRANK FULLER but FULLER refused to loan it to him. FRANK told the informant that he was disappointed with [ ] because during the recent Westinghouse strike [ ] used the excuse of having to be on strike duty to get away from his wife to run around with other women.

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**Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**TO : SAC *Est. [unclear]*DATE: *5/22/56*FROM : SA *[unclear]*SUBJECT: *[unclear]*

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: *5/2/56 5/14/56 (C.I. [unclear]) 5/18/56 5/21/56*

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

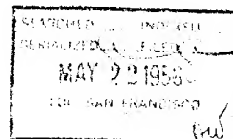
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PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: *Reid 5/2/56*RATING *OK*COVERAGE *[unclear]**[Circular stamp with signature]*

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(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE April 30, 1956

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 5/2/56

to SF 1740-3

for information concerning the case entitled \_\_\_\_\_

CP USA; IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson  
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 1/19/56

Period Covered by Payment 4/1-30/56

Authorization Checked sem

Check Number 594-13

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 5/2/56 Item 15

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Informant's File No. 100-1

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SAC, New York (105-4445)

5/11/56

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[REDACTED] was.  
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Reurlet to Baltimore, above caption, dated 5/2/56  
requesting up-to-date characterization of certain informants  
together with the need to conceal or reveal them in reports.

Both [REDACTED] and SF 1740-S are currently active  
informants furnishing information to the San Francisco Office  
and therefore their identities should not be revealed in a  
report. The above informants have furnished reliable information in the past.

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- 2 - New York (105-4445) (Reg.)
- 1 - SF 134-7 b7D
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - San Francisco (100-40837)

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SAC, SF (100-3730)

5/4/56

SA RICHARD H. TILSON

CS SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
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On 5/2/56, a written report was received from [redacted] and filed in [redacted]. The report reads as follows:

"April 30th.

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"It is my understanding that FRANCIS PINK has been moved to Santa Clara County in order to be the chairman of the Communist Party of Santa Clara County. At the present time [redacted] is acting chairman while FRANCIS PINK is getting familiar with the situation here. [redacted] FRANCIS PINK, LILBERTO TROQUARD and [redacted] form which is called the secretariat a sort of executive committee of the executive committee.

"Sunday 5/1 CERNY and I went to see EARL PERKINS to ask him if we could use the studio at his house for the COMRADESHIP meeting on the 12th. of May. He agreed. It was planned to have [redacted] of the International Bookstore chair the meeting and to have it under the auspices of the bookstore but he can not come that night so it may be given under the auspices of a group of . . . readers.

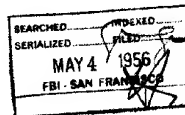
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"I have noticed that [redacted] has been limping but do not know the reason. I have not heard anything said about his health.

- 1 - 100-3730
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 100-22198 (FRANCIS PINK)
- 1 - 100-2667 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-1118 (WILLIAM HUGHES)
- 1 - 100-29729 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-33765 (ED CERNY)
- 1 - 134-7 (EARL PERKINS)
- 1 - 97-26 (WILLIAM HUGHES)

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SF 100-3730  
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"At the SCHNEIDERMAN meeting it is planned to ask a select group of non party people beside having as many of the party as can make it. the invitations will be by word of mouth. I had a feeling that after KARL agreed to have the meeting at his place he was sorry that he did.

"I have been rather out of touch with things due to lack of transportation for the past month.

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"/s/ [REDACTED]"

The report concerns information obtained by informant through contacts with the CP in Santa Clara County. Informant elaborated on the statement in paragraph 1 by stating that the information concerning FRANCIS FISK had been obtained during official discussions by the membership of the Santa Clara County Executive Committee of the CP. Informant had no further information at this time.

RECOMMENDATION: No investigation.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-33837)  
FROM : RICHARD H. NELSON, SA  
SUBJECT: PALO ALTO PEACE CLUB  
IS - C

DATE: 5/3/56

IDENTITY OF SOURCE	DATE OF ACTIVITY AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF INFORMATION	DATE RECEIVED	AGENT TO WHOM FURNISHED	FILE NUMBER WHERE LOCATED
[REDACTED]	4/10/56	4/17/56	RICHARD H. NELSON	[REDACTED]

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Following is a portion of a written report from informant relating to the regular monthly meeting of the Palo Alto Peace Club held in the Palo Alto Community Center 4/10/56. The report reads as follows:

100: [REDACTED]  
100-30622 (VALEDA BRYANT)  
100-24784 [REDACTED]  
100-21480 [REDACTED]  
100-22992 (ALICE RICHARDS)  
100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)  
134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
100-24948 (MIKE SHAPOVALOV)  
100-21680 [REDACTED]  
100-22170 (LOIS FULLER)  
100-25132 (LEONARD GRUMET)  
100-31482 [REDACTED]  
100-24017 (FRANK SCHNEIDER)  
100-20587 (ESTHER GARDNER)  
100-34597 [REDACTED]  
100-23395 (MARY ROSS)  
100-25794 (GENTRUDE ADLER)  
[REDACTED]  
100-16351 (WALTER HARJU)  
100-15941 (MILMA HARJU)  
100-31678 (OLIVE MAYER)  
100-20108 (HARVEY RICHARDS)

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"Last nite I went to the Palo Alto Peace Club meeting at the Community Center. I went with VALEDA BRYANT as my car was in the repair shop. BOB and DECCA TRUEHART were the speakers. They talked about their trip to Europe this summer. Mostly about their visit to Hungary. Those at the meeting were, VALEDA BRYANT ALICE RICHARDS (chairman), DORIS DAWSON, KATH PRUSSIAN, [REDACTED] MIKE SHAPOVALOV, [REDACTED] LOIS FULLER, LEONARD GRUMET, [REDACTED] FRANK SCHNEIDER, ESTHER GARDNER, [REDACTED] MARY WILSON, MARY ROSS, GERTRUDE ADLER, [REDACTED] an old couple whose names I don't know and a younger couple who seemed to be friends of the TRUEHARTS and a man who comes often who wears a hearing aid, I forget his name, and the HARJUS. Two high school girls came in for a few minutes and left. After the meeting ALICE RICHARDS asked everyone to come to her house for ice cream and cake. Those who went were VALEDA BRYANT, the HARJUS, [REDACTED] MARY ROSS, MARY WILSON, [REDACTED] GERTRUDE ADLER, ESTHER GARDNER, OLIE MAYER (who came in late to the meeting). I went home with MARY ROSS and she told me that Mrs. TRUEHART had a rather unusual background which you must know but I was quite surprised. She had a sister who was a 'girl friend' of HITLER, another is married to Sir OSWALD MOSLEY and she is a relation of CHURCHILL. Her first husband was killed in the Spanish civil war and England sent a navy ship to get her out of Spain but she wouldn't leave. HARVEY RICHARDS is to be the speaker at the next meeting and will show films of Mexico. And talk about his trip."

Informant furnished other information covered in a separate memorandum.

RECOMMENDATION:

NO INVESTIGATION.

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-3730)

4/30/56

SA RICHARD H. NELSON

CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
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4/14/56 4/16/56 Richard H. Nelson

The following is a portion of a written report which concerns a political meeting of CP, Santa Clara County held at 2130 Staunton Court, Palo Alto, on the above date. Informant explained that meeting were [redacted] from the State Board of the CP, along with ELIZABETH NICHOLAS and [redacted] of the Santa Clara County CP, Executive Committee with representatives from four of the Palo Alto CP Clubs. Informant stated that the meeting principally concerned the candidacy of ALLAN ISAKSEN for assemblyman from the 18th Congressional District on the Democratic Party ticket. Reference in this report to ELLIOTT is to ELLIOT WILSON:

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"In the afternoon the Political meeting was held at my house. [redacted] and ELIZABETH NICHOLAS arrived a little before two thirty. Then [redacted] came. I had to leave then to go to a meeting at the Co-Op (not in line of duty!!!) I got back a litte after four and the meeting was still gong on. There were quire a few there then. ELLIOT WILSON, [redacted] KARL PRUSSIAN, ED ROSS, and [redacted] I did not sit in but heard

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- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 100-25347 (Political Activities)
- 1 - 100-2884 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-1418 (Elizabeth Nicholas)
- 1 - 100-5867 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-30169 (Elliot Wilson)
- 1 - 134-7 (Karl Prussian)
- 1 - 100-36705 (Ed Ross)
- 1 - 100-29725 [redacted]
- 1 - 100-35053 (Helen Manning)
- 1 - 100-36483 [redacted]

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some of what was going on. [ ] was telling them that it had not been correct to have ALLAN ISAKESSEN run for whatever office he is running for. It seems that he is being red-baited all ready but good. Just what is planned I am not sure, but I think they will soft pedal his campaign. I may hear more on Tuesday when I go to the county committee. All this was one of ELLIOTT's brain storms I think. ELLIOT was selling tickets for the south palo alto dem club party they are holding at Rickey's Sunday even, April 22. the Gateway Singers from the hungry i will be there.

"ED ROSS told me that he is moving south to Pasadena in a month. Got a job there. Plans to be there at least two years.

[ ] was the last to leave and he told me that HELEN MANNING had been complaining to him that some of her group had been telling her that she was not a good mother neglected her home and was not considerate enough of CARL in view of his illness. That they did not ~~think~~ her youth work important. He thought it would be a good idea if he and I and HELEN and [ ] get together and talk it over. I agreed. I told him that I felt that she was not too good with her family and that [ ] certainly had reason for some of the things that HELEN said that she said. So we are to arrange a meeting at the tuesday nite meeting which will be at FRANCIS FINK's house on Tuesday the 17th."

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Paragraph three of the above written report relates to the difficulties of HELEN MANNING. CARL mentioned in that paragraph is her husband. Informant furnished other information which is set out in a separate memo.

RECOMMENDATION: Follow the plans of ED ROSS to leave Palo Alto and move to Pasadena and attempt to determine his employment in Pasadena.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (Att. Clifford) 134-7

DATE: 4/2/56

FROM : SA R H. Martin

SUBJECT: SF 1740 &gt;

C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.C.I. \_\_\_\_\_ S.I. \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.I. \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF CONTACT: 3/27/56, 4/3/56, 4/11/56, 4/23/56

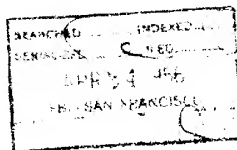
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Per 134-7A

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: \_\_\_\_\_ Positive: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL DATA: Per 4/1/56

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM....UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-25347) DATE: April 17, 1956  
FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON  
SUBJECT: POLITICAL ACTIVITY  
COMMUNIST PARTY  
13TH DISTRICT  
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On 3/30/56 [redacted] furnished a written report filed in [redacted]. Most of page 2 of this report concerns ALLAN ISAKSEN and his obtaining Communist Party authority to run for office on the Democratic Party ticket. This portion of the report reads as follows:

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"Elizabeth said that Elliot, Karl and Allan went to the city and saw either [redacted] or Oleta I'm not sure which. Anyway the long and short of it is that Allan is going to file and run. I am not sure just what he is running for, but he is running..... Also because he has to sign an oath he is out of the party. He may come back in if he doesn't get elected. I said that Isobel did not get out of the party when she ran. This seemed to surprise Elizabeth.

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"You see where [redacted] landed....It was Elizabeth's suggestion. It might be interesting but is not looked forward to. [redacted] (husband in the Hungry Eye) She told me that her husband was not in the Party. She mentioned having meetings at her house sometimes but she said when she was in the city that she could not have them at her house because her husband was not a member and that in the city it was a rule that no meetings were held unless both husband and wife were members.

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100-9538 (ALLEN ISAKSEN)  
134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
100-2684 [redacted]  
100-1418 (ELIZABETH NICHOLAS)  
100-27138 (ISOBEL CERNEY)  
100-27129 [redacted]

/s/ [redacted]

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Informant clarified the above report orally  
as follows:

Informant obtained this information from ELIZABETH (NICHOLAS) who is a member of the Executive Committee of the Communist Party, Santa Clara County. It was to the effect that ELLIOT (WILSON), KARL (PRUSSIAN) and ALLAN (ISAKSEN), during the week of March 29, 1956 visited [redacted] or OLETA (YATES) to obtain authorization for ISAKSEN to run as a Democratic Party candidate from the 18th District of California for Assemblyman. According to the informant he obtained this permission and is running for office but because he had to sign an oath he had to drop out of the Communist Party. Informant noted in this report that ISOBEL CERNEY had not dropped out of the party when she ran as Independent Progressive Party candidate for U. S. Senator. The last paragraph of this report beginning "You See Where [redacted] Landed" relates to [redacted] being placed in the Professional Club of the Communist Party, Santa Clara County. Reference to [redacted] is an error and informant stated she meant to say [redacted] Her husband is [redacted] and according to informant [redacted] is not presently in the Communist Party. Accordingly a copy of this is designated for his file. Other information furnished by this informant has been covered by separate memorandum.

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RECOMMENDATION: No Investigation.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.....UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-3730) DATE: April 17, 1956  
FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY  
SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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On 3/30/56 [redacted] furnished a written report which is filed in [redacted]. This was a report of a meeting of the Club Chairman of the five Communist Party clubs in the Palo Alto area to discuss reallocation of the membership of the five Palo Alto Communist Party clubs. The report sets out the membership of those clubs. Following that is an asterick.

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ccs: [redacted] 100-1018 (ELIZ NICHOLAS)  
100-35423 (PALO ALTO CP CLUBS) 100-33301 (DORIS DAWSON)  
100-36483 [redacted] 100-1346 (ISAAC POLKOFF)  
100-35053 (HELEN MANNING) 100-39293 (BELLE ROSS)  
100-27054 [redacted] 100-16351 (KARL PRUSSIAN)  
100-40853 [redacted] 100-16351 (WALTER HARJU)  
100-41190 [redacted] 100-31466 (ED BECKS)  
100-34771 (GELSIE BECKS) 100-35134 [redacted]  
100-25878 [redacted] 100-30169 (ELLIOT WILSON)  
100-25794 (GERTRUDE ADLER) 100-36705 (ED ROSS)  
100-23395 (MARY ROSS) 100-31626 [redacted]  
100-27491 (ALLEN ROSS) 100-32403 (CARL MANNING)  
100-35372 [redacted] 100-41511 [redacted]  
100-35132 [redacted] 100-2884 [redacted]  
100-24017 (FRANK SCHNEIDER) 100-26239 (MEMBERSHIP)  
100-41510 [redacted] 100-27747 (ORGANIZATION)  
100-33765 (ED CERNEY) 100-10881 [redacted]  
100-27438 (ISOBEL CERNEY)  
100-24948 (MIKE SHAPOVALOV)  
100-34164 (MARY SHAPOVALOV)  
100-9884 (HOLLAND ROBERTS)  
100-20108 (HARVEY RICHARDS)  
100-28956 [redacted]  
100-33524 (MARY WILSON)

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Relating to "King on Sunshine Drive."

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This was discussed with the informant and it was established that the [ ] listed above in one of the Communist Party clubs is identical with the [ ] recently transferred into Palo Alto area from the Communist Party, Los Angeles. He resides on Sunshine Drive, Los Altos, California and is therefore a member of the Communist Party Club listed above headed by [ ]

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The following paragraph relates to [ ] who is a new transfer to the Palo Alto Communist Party from San Francisco which transfer was transmitted from [ ] March 29, 1956 to ELIZABETH NICHOLAS. Since the address of [ ] East Palo Alto, it appears definite that this is the wife of [ ] Security Index Subject, residing at that address. [ ] is not on the Security Index and it is being recommended her case be reopened and she recommended for the Security Index.

"Mar.29th. '56

"In the meeting tonite to discuss the membership of the clubs they are to be as follows:

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[ ]  
Helen Manning

Gertrude Adler  
Mary Ross  
Allen "

Ed Cerney  
Isobel Cerney  
Mike Shapovalov  
Mary "  
Holland Roberts  
Harvey Richards

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Geisla Becka

[ ]  
Frank Schnyder

[ ]  
(She is a new  
transfer from S.F.)

[ ]  
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"Mary Wilson  
E. Nicholas  
Doris Dawson  
Ike Folkoff  
Bell Ross  
Karl Prussian  
Walter Harju  
Ed Becks

[redacted]  
Elliot Wilson  
Ed Ross

[redacted]  
Carl Manning

[redacted]  
(Los Altos)

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"I think the name is [redacted] on [redacted] I can't seem to get it in my head

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"[redacted] is a new transfer Elizabeth got from [redacted] today. Her address is [redacted] E. Palo Alto. I have to go to see her when I get back from the south. She is to go in the E. Palo Alto club.

"Her transfer reads:

This member has been a youth member in the Mission area of San Francisco. She has a solid working class back-ground and should have a future of good development in the vanguard movement.

It is recommended that she be seen, welcomed to the area and assigned to a club at an early date, and that she be helped to find her place in the working class and community life and activity.

In San Francisco, as a youth member, her organized participation in club like did not reach the place that it might have in the sense of regular, collective work, attendance, community interest, etc., due to 1 (the infrequency of youth attendance at clubs) 2 (poor connections from the area.)

This member comes from a fine progressive working-class family. Her husband is an important industrial worker.

There is a small child in the family that conceivably would heighten her interest in the community in that sense also. She is paid through September of 1955. She has paid the Southern Solidarity."

Informant furnished other information covered in a separate memorandum.

RECOMMENDATION: Open case file on [redacted] and recommend for Security Index in view of her present Communist Party membership which brings her within the criteria.

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Special Agent

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